

TANAGRA DUBIA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum, acuminatum, emarginatum,
basi subtrigonum, apice declive.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 313.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

TANAGRA? nigra, humeris coccineis flavo
marginatis.

An varietas Orioli phoenicei?

Oriolum phoeniceum Linnæi facile diceret hanc avem, formæ et colorum ambigua quadam similitudine deceptus, nisi quod paulo minor rostri habeat basin magis depressam, apicem minus acuminatum; ideoque hac ex parte Tanagras potius quam Oriolos referat. Americam septentrionalem incolit Oriolus phoeniceus; hæc autem avis creditur in Africa innasce. Minuitur paululum in tabula naturalis magnitudo.

THE
RED-SHOULDERED TANAGER.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conic, acuminated, a little inclining towards the point; the upper mandible slightly ridged, and notched near the end.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

BLACK TANAGER? with red shoulders edged with yellow.

Var. Oriol. phoenic.??

So extremely similar is this bird in its general appearance and colors to the *Oriolus phoeniceus* of Linnæus, or red-winged Oriole, that it is scarce to be distinguished from it, except by its being of a somewhat smaller size, and having the beak somewhat flatter at the base, as well as less sharp at the tip; so that it more resembles the Tanagers than the Orioles. The *Oriolus phoeniceus* is a native of North America, but the bird here figured is believed to be an inhabitant of Africa. The plate represents it rather smaller than the natural size.



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